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1. NEHEMIAH REVIEWED PREPARATIONS FOR CONFERENCE DOCUMENTATION. NEHEMIAH STRESSED THAT, THOUGH WCARRD ISN'T UNTIL JULY 1979, THE PRINTING, APPROVAL, AND TRANSLATION OF PAPERS TAKES SO LONG THAT IN FACT ALL DOCUMENTATION HAS TO BE COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER 1978. FURTHER, THE COST IS ESTIMATED AT DOLLARS 87 A PAGE FOR PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION IN ONE LANGUAGE. IF THE RUSSIANS COME, WCARRD WILL HAVE SIX OFFICIAL LANGUAGES.

2. WITH COSTS LIKE THE ABOVE, NEHEMIAH PLANS FOR OFFICIAL DOCUMENTATION TO INCLUDE THE GENERAL REVIEW AND NALYSIS PAPER (ABOUT 100 PAGES) AND THEN SHORT, 4-6 PAGE, PAPERS FOR EACH AGENDA ITEM.

3. NATIONAL PAPERS ARE BEGINNING TO COME IN, SO FAR THREE, WITH ABOUT 70 MORE EXPECTED. THESE RUN TO 30-40 PAGES. WCARRD SECRETARIAT WILL BE ASKING COUNTRIES TO REPRODUCE THEIR OWN PAPERS IN ONE OR MORELANGUAGES FOR INFORMAL
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DISTRIBUTION.

4. NEHEMIAH WAS VERY COMPLEMENTARY OF TWO U.S. CONSULTANTS-- DRS. BROWN AND THIESENHUSEN. THEY CAN RETURN THIS SUMMER AND WCARRD WANTS THEM. NEHEMIAH HOPES THAT, ON THIS SECOND ROUND, AID COULD FINANCE THEM. NEHEMIAH WAS SORRY TO HAVE LOST UPHOFF OF CORNELL. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY UPHOFF COULD COME THIS

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SUMMER IF AID FINANCES HIS TRAVEL.

5. FURTHER TAKING UP AID'S OFFER OF ASSISTANCE, NEHEMIAH EXPRESSED ENTHUSIASM FOR THE THREE PAPERS THAT WASHINGTON INFORMED ISLAM OF FAO IT WAS PREPARING FOR THE CONFERENCE. ISLAM'S NOTES IDNICATE THAT AID WAS PLANNING TWO PAPERS-- ONE SPELLING OUT THE IMPLICATIONS FOR THE FUTURE IN THE FIELD OF AGRAIRIAN AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT IF THE PRESENT TRENDS IN AGRARIAN STRUCTURE AND POLICIES CONTINUE, AND THE SECOND WOULD BE ON THE EFFECT OF ALTERNATE STRATEGIES IN THE MISSING WORD FIELD OF AGRARIAN REFORM ON FUTURE AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT. THIRD PAPER PROPOSED BY USDA WOULD BE AN ANALYSIS AND STUDTY FO USG AND U.S. INSTITUTIONS' EXPERIENCES IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.GARDNER

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